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Dated the Fifteenth Day of *January*, 1746.

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Some Variations from, and Additions to His M A-  
J E S T Y's former Orders of Council of the Twelfth  
of *March*, and Seventeenth of *December* last, relat-  
ing to the Distemper'd Cattle.



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St. JAMES'S,

The Fifteenth Day of *January*, 1746.

P R E S E N T

The KING's most Excellent Majesty  
in Council.



HEREAS by an Act passed in the  
last Session of Parliament, intituled,  
“ An Act to enable His Majesty to  
“ make Rules, Orders, and Regula-  
“ tions, more effectually to prevent the  
“ spreading of the Distemper which  
“ now rages amongst the Horned Cat-  
“ tle in this Kingdom;” Powers are  
vested in His Majesty, by and with  
the Advice of His Privy Council, from  
time to time to make such Rules, Or-  
ders, and Regulations, or to vary and  
repeal the same, as should be judged most expedient and effec-  
tual for putting a Stop to, or preventing the spreading of the  
said



said Distemper : And whereas in pursuance of the said Powers, His Majesty was pleased, by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, on the Twelfth Day of *March* last, as likewise on the Seventeenth Day of *December* last, to make several Rules, Orders, and Regulations, for the said Purposes : And whereas Application hath been this Day made to His Majesty at this Board, to make some Variations from, and Additions to the aforementioned Orders of Council, His Majesty, upon Consideration thereof, is pleased, by and with the Advice of His Privy Council, to make the Variations and Additions following, *viz.*

*First*, That no Ox, Bull, Cow, Calf, Steer, or Heifer, whether Fat or Lean, be suffered to pass the *Humber* and *Trent* Northward, from the Nineteenth of this Instant *January*, to the Twenty seventh Day of *March* next. And for that Purpose, His Majesty's Justices of the Peace of the several Counties, Hundreds, Ridings, and Divisions, through which the said Rivers run, are hereby required to cause strict Watch to be constantly kept to guard all the Bridges, Fords, Boats, and Ferries, upon the said Rivers, and to carry all Offenders herein before the next Magistrate, to be dealt with according to Law.

*Secondly*, That in all Cases, where Lean Cattle shall be put out to Pasture, (whether the said Pasture do belong to the Owner of such Cattle, or be hired by him) and that such Pasture shall not be found sufficient to feed the Cattle put therein, Liberty be given to the Owners of such Cattle to remove them to some other Pasture in the Neighbourhood, though it should happen to lie in a different Parish : But that this Liberty be granted only for such Cattle as are in Health, and free from any Distemper ; and that a Certificate of their being so, must be obtained before their Removal, in like Manner as is required by His Majesty's aforementioned Order of Council of the Seventeenth of *December* last, to be obtained upon the driving, or removing, and selling Fatted Cows and Oxen ; and that such Certificate be delivered to One of the Churchwardens, Overseers of the Poor, or Constables, of the Town or Parish to which such Beasts shall be so removed, or to some Inspector appointed by the Justices of the Peace.

*Thirdly*, That the Prohibition laid by His Majesty's aforementioned Order of Council, of the Seventeenth of *December* last, upon the Removal and Sale of Calves, be taken off from all Fatted Calves, provided they are found and free from any Distemper, and that Proof thereof be made and certified in the same Manner and



Form, as is required by the aforementioned Order with respect to Fatted Cows and Oxen.

*Fourthly*, That in all Cases where the Churchwardens, Overseers of the Poor, Constables, and Inspectors, or some or One of them, shall stop any Cattle, which by His Majesty's Order in Council, of the Seventeenth of *December* last, are prohibited to be removed, and shall carry the Offender or Offenders before some Justice or Justices of the Peace, pursuant to the Directions of the said Order; such Churchwardens and other Officers, or some or One of them, are hereby authorized, during the Time that such Offender or Offenders shall be under Examination of such Justice or Justices, to put the said Cattle under the Care of some proper Person: And in case it shall appear to the said Justice or Justices, that the said Cattle are such as are prohibited to be removed, by His Majesty's aforementioned Order, and not allowed of by this present Order, and are not infected, that then he or they do cause the said Cattle to be drove back the same Way, to the Place or Grounds from whence they were brought, with some proper Officer to attend them; or take such Order concerning the said Cattle, as such Justice or Justices shall judge most proper, according to the Circumstances of the Case.

*Fifthly*, That instead of requiring the Oaths of Two Constables, Churchwardens, Overseers, or Inspectors, to ascertain the Numbers and Values of the Cattle shot, or otherwise killed, flayed and buried, and the having conformed to all the Rules laid down, as directed by His Majesty's Order of Council of the Twelfth of *March* last to entitle the Owner or Owners of any such Cattle to the Rewards or Recompence thereby promised; the Oath of One of those Officers shall, for the future be sufficient, where Two of them cannot be had: But in all such Cases, the Owner or Owners of the Cattle shall call One other credible Person to be a joint Witness with such Officer, who is hereby required to make the like Oath, as is directed by the aforementioned Order to be made by the said Constables, Churchwardens, and others. And His Majesty doth hereby declare, That the Rewards or Recompence promised by His Majesty's aforementioned Order, shall be thereupon paid to the Owners of the said Cattle, in the same Manner, as if the Oaths of Two of the said Officers had been taken; provided the Magistrate (or in his Absence the Minister of the Parish) who shall take the said Oaths, do certify as to the Credibility of the said Person.



And His Majesty doth hereby strictly charge and command all His Justices of the Peace, Constables, Churchwardens, Overseers, Inspectors, and all Farmers, Cowkeepers, and others, to conform themselves to what is hereby required; any thing contained, in His Majesty's Orders of Council aforementioned, to the contrary notwithstanding.

And for the better notifying of this Order, it is His Majesty's Pleasure, That the same be forthwith printed and published, and be also inserted in the next *London Gazette*; and be likewise read, together with the said former Orders of Council, in all Parish Churches, Chapels, and other Places set apart for Divine Worship, in the Manner, and at the Times prescribed by the Act of Parliament aforementioned.

WILLIAM SHARPE.

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